



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For:	"Method and Apparatus for	)	Date: June 5, 2007
	Managing a Hierarchy of Nodes"	)	
		)	Re: <i>Response</i>
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**RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Official Action dated February 7, 2007. A request for a one month extension of the term of responding accompanies this response.

Specification amendments begin on page 2 of this response and claim amendments begin on page 8 thereof. Applicant's remarks, which are made without prejudice, begin on page 12 of this response.